

October 8, 2010

Dear Sir or Madam:

As you are aware, increased drilling activity in the area near Union Pacific's main line between Cotulla, TX and Laredo, TX has led to a dramatic increase in crossing collisions and other safety related incidents. This is directly attributable to commercial trucks using private crossings over our tracks.

Many trucks have hung-up on these crossings, exposing drivers, train crews and local communities to the potential for serious personal injury.

It is imperative that we work together to improve safety at these crossings. We ask that every driver employed or contracted by you call Union Pacific at (888) 877-7267 **prior** to attempting to negotiate any of these crossings so that we can ensure that no trains are in the area.

It is also critical that, **prior** to attempting to cross, all drivers ensure they have sufficient vertical clearance to safely traverse the crossing without hanging up.

Please call Harding Rome if you have any questions or would like to discuss this. He can be reached at (713) 220-3240.

Sincerely,

Brian E. Gorton  
Superintendent

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